Woman Captive 16 Years

BOSTON (AP) — A widow and her daughter were in separate hospitals yesterday after a priest and police discovered them in a rubbish-strewn, foodless apartment.

The emaciated 33-year-old daughter had been held prisoner in her own home, police said, for 16 years.

Police Lieut. Chester A. Henchey said the situation was discovered by Rev. Kenneth Murphy, a Catholic priest.

Father Murphy and policemen went to the home of Mrs. Catherine Stearns, 59, Friday night after neighbors said she had threatened suicide. They searched for half an hour before they found her daughter, Mary, 33, under a pile of debris and blankets.

Henchey said the daughter was in such a wild state she had to be tied. She was calmed and taken to hospital.

A doctor said the daughter weighed between 40 and 60 pounds.

Government's a Game

Most kids their age may settle for cowboys and Indians, but these youngsters wage the serious play of government at a school in New Malden, Surrey, England. They're chosen to serve on the "junior council" for a school term, and are outfitted with the proper ceremonial uniforms.

'Free Government' Recognition Plea

Tibet Rebels Seek Aid

NEW DELHI (UPI) — The independent Tibetan government representing freedom fighters in their battle with the Chinese Communists has appealed for formal recognition and help from India and other neighboring countries.

The Chinese Communists, virtually admitting that the entire Tibetan nation was behind the Dalai Lama and the battle for independence, created a new Tibetan "public security" department and were reported funnelling still more troops into the Himalayan mountain country.

The Dalai Lama himself was resting at Rahung village in India, eight miles from his goal at Bomdila in the remote northeast frontier district.

REACHES GOAL

He was expected to reach Bomdila today and confer with Prime Minister Nehru's representative, P. N. Menon. Bomdila is 68 miles from civilized Indian territory.

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Dispatches from Darjeeling, India, said the independent government set up by the battling Khamba tribesmen under the Dalai Lama earlier this week had asked India and Nepal as well as other nearby Asian countries to recognize the regime dedicated to ousting the Chinese overlords.

Informed sources said the provisional regime claimed control over four Tibetan provinces. The area has 50 forts and a population of 1,000,000.

The provisional government, which had sent its original independence manifesto across the border from southeast Tibet, was reported to have asked neutral India to mediate the crisis, bring an "immediate cessation of hostilities" and arrange an "immediate cease fire."

The sources said the Tibetans wanted India to appeal to the United Nations against "unprovoked aggression" by the Reds and negotiate with China for a withdrawal of the Chinese army and civilian "colonists" in Tibet.

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Session Of Woe For Reds

TOKYO (AP)—Revolution in Tibet, peasant discontent over the communes, loss of prestige in Asia, economic difficulties—all these plague Red China as she prepares for the opening of her parliament, the National People's Congress.

The meeting of 1,200 delegates, starting Friday, will approve the country's budget and elect a successor for Mao Tze-tung as president.

All the important decisions were made when Mao presided over a central committee session April 2-5 in Shanghai, Peiping radio reported.

Reports from Formosa said the central committee decided to elevate Vice-President Chu Teh, Mao's old comrade-in-arms, to the presidency. But the Yugoslav agency Tanjug, reporting from Peiping, said the next president may be Premier Chou En-lai.

Some of the regime's troubles may be aired before the congress. But the leaders can appear before the delegates secure in the knowledge that there will be no angry blasts for China's difficulties in Tibet.

Canadian scientists are playing a prominent role in cancer research. They are supported, to a large extent, by the Canadian public through the Canadian Cancer Society.

People Understand Songs of Goodwill

Russian coloratura Zara Doloukhanova likes Canada and the United States.

But she will be glad to return to her family in Moscow when her first North American tour ends later this month, she said last night.

Weary from her all-day air journey from San Francisco, which included a five-hour layover in Seattle, the noted Russian vocalist arrived with her pianist and interpreter at the Empress Hotel at 9.50 p.m. yesterday.

FLORAL WELCOME

The trio was met at Patricia Bay airport by Famous Artists agent Mrs. Dolly Jones, who presented the mezzo-soprano with a bouquet of roses and irises.

The singer's visit here marks the first time an artist from the USSR has appeared before a Victoria audience.

She will appear at the Royal Theatre at 8.30 p.m. Monday.

STUNNING APPEARANCE

Madame Doloukhanova, with rich black hair and beautiful brown eyes, made a stunning appearance in the hotel lobby, dressed in a pink coat and still clutching her bouquet.

She said through her interpreter, Miss Rimma Shoumeikhina of the Ministry of Culture in Moscow, that she wants to be known as an ambassador of good will during her current tour.

Although she doesn't speak English, people understand her through the way she sings, and that is what she wants, Miss Doloukhanova said.

LENGTHY TOUR

Her tour, which began March 11 when the group left Moscow and will end upon their return April 25, took the Russian singer to New York City, Chicago, Montreal, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Washington, Baltimore, San Francisco, now Victoria and soon Vancouver, Los Angeles and Boston.

She stressed the fact that she liked the way Americans received her everywhere.

"The audiences were very warm," she said, "because they understand music."

She does her best to "let people like her," the interpreter said.

FRIENDLY LAUGH

This was apparent when she and her accompanist, Alexander Erokhin, also of Moscow, shook hands with a reporter in the hotel lobby and broke off with a friendly laugh when it was apparent that they couldn't speak English nor he speak Russian.

The interpreter, at that moment, was busy organizing a search for her luggage which got mixed up with someone else's suitcases at the airport. The missing baggage was quickly found.

In her whirlwind tour, Madame Doloukhanova was so busy rehearsing, singing and being entertained that she found little time to do any shopping or to form any definite opinion of the variations between Russian and Western ways of living.

As to differences in the fashion world, "there isn't a great difference here from the fashions we have in our own country," she said, pointing out that the yellow wool sweater, black wool skirt and blue suede shoes she was wearing were all made in Russia.

Today, she hopes to practise after breakfast, go sightseeing with Mrs. Jones and have an early night.

She'll probably spend most of Monday resting for the evening performance.

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Russian Sings Monday

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'Savages' Offend Negro

TORONTO (UPI) — A 30-year-old Negro machinist picketed the Ballet Africain's last performance in Toronto last night, claiming members of the Negro troupe are damaging the cause of independent Africa by performing like savages.

Daniel Braithwaite carried a sign saying African women should cover up. The female members of the troupe from Guinea perform naked from the waist up, but in New York, Montreal and Toronto police have ordered the dancers to wear brassieres.

"The people of Africa are fighting for independence and the Ballet Africain are damaging this cause by appearing in North America as savages," Braithwaite told spectators.

Experiments Suggest:

Cigarets, Fallout Linked in Cancer

ATLANTIC CITY (AP) — Cigarets and nuclear bomb fallout may together present an intensified lung-cancer hazard, a team of St. Louis scientists said yesterday.

Dr. V. Suntzeff, Dr. E. V. Cowdry and Dr. A. Croninger, all of the Washington University Medicine School, said experiments with mice suggest that the combination of cigaret tar and fallout radiation can produce tissue damage over and above what might be expected from the sum of two agents together.

That is, they told the annual meeting of the American Association for Cancer Research, the experiments indicate each of two materials enhances the action of the other.

Some progress is seemingly being made in the quest to reduce the hazard of lung cancer from cigaret smoking, a New York cancer researcher said Saturday.

Dr. Ernest L. Wynder of the Sloan-Kelting Institute, said scientists at the institute have been working with chemical catalysts which appear capable of reducing certain "poliycyclic" compounds in tobacco smoke, which he considers to be "the major initiating cancer-producer in tobacco smoke."

He said the catalyst produced a "stinky" smoke which would rule it out as a practical measure, but encourages further search for effective but acceptable catalysts.

The Canadian Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institue of Canada are the two voluntary organizations fighting cancer. The society is made up of lay and professional people. It supports research, carries on an educational program and a welfare program to assist cancer patients. It also raises money. The institute is made up of doctors and scientists and laymen. It supports worthwhile cancer research by giving grants-in-aid, fellowships and scholarships. About four-fifths of its money comes from the society.

Canadians Abroad Should Get Pensions

By TOM GREEN
Colonist Ottawa Correspondent

OTTAWA — Ernie Broome, Conservative MP for Vancouver South, said last night that in the budget debate which opens in the House of Commons Monday he will strongly advocate that old-age pensions be payable by the government to Canadians anywhere in the world, without any time limit.

At the present time, pensioners may be absent from Canada for six months only.

"The increased allocated revenues going into the pension fund, which are proposed in the budget, will now make the fund self-sustaining in place of the heavy borrowings which have been taking place from the consolidated revenue fund to cover deficits," Mr. Broome told the Colonist.

"It would be an excellent move to make pensions payable anywhere without a six months' absence from Canada.

"For instance, payments to Canadian pensioners in the United Kingdom would provide dollars with which the United Kingdom could buy more Canadian lumber, fruit, minerals and wheat."

New Policy of U.S.

All Berlin or None

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Reds Not Ready For Berlin War

WASHINGTON (AP)—Will Russia explode the Berlin crisis into a third world war?

The hush-hush U.S. Central Intelligence Agency is reasonably sure it can answer that question—and the answer, apparently, is a cautious no.

Robert Amory, CIA deputy director of intelligence, says the Russians "haven't got what it takes rationally to challenge us this spring."

Although the Soviet Union is not ready to risk a major nuclear war over Berlin, he says, Soviet Premier Khrushchev "expects to force us to chicken out."

"If the West is resolute, then I believe that the Soviet Union—by hook or crook—will be the one to back down."

The CIA deputy says Soviet leaders were told 18 months ago that a 15-year period of peace is imperative.

"Their economy is by no means mobilized for war or preparing for war," Amory says.

Amory hedges his bet on the Kremlin's reluctance to pull the trigger to the extent that the Soviets will fight if circumstances force a war.

Amory made his unusual on-the-record appraisal of Soviet intentions in a recent, little-publicized lecture, his first public address in four years.

Cancer may occur in almost any part of the body. The most effective means of controlling the disease is to educate individuals so that they may apply for treatment early.

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States will urge its Western Allies next week to demand of Russia that East as well as West Berlin be embraced in any new international plan for the city.

Officials indicated the U.S. government has decided it is essential for the United States, Britain, France and West Germany to follow an "all-Berlin policy" in negotiating with Russia at the foreign ministers' meeting due to open at Geneva in a month.

An "all-Berlin policy," these authorities said, means that the West would insist that the Big Four powers accept anew an obligation to hold Berlin in trust pending its restoration as the capital of a reunited Germany.

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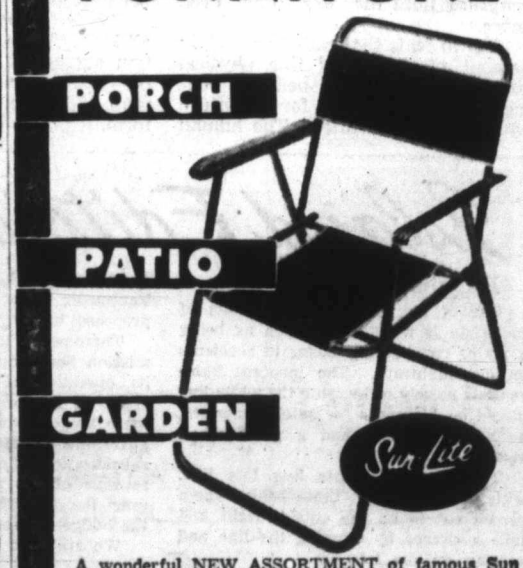

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